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## AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

### Virginia's Claims Urged Upon the President.

Prominent Virginia Politicians Ask to Have Basil Gordon Appointed to a Foreign Mission—His Friends Bring Strong Pressure to Bear Upon Cleveland—Republican Senators Hold a Caucus and Determine to Fight the Reorganization Scheme—Nominations Confirmed. Other Washington News.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—A determined effort is being made to secure the appointment of Basil Gordon, of Virginia, to some foreign mission. Twice to day his claims for office were urged on the President by prominent Virginians. Senators Daniel and Hutton saw Cleveland in his behalf and later in the day Representative O'Ferrall called with a delegation for the same purpose. Gordon is not being pushed for any particular mission, but he would like Austria, Spain or Italy.

The name of Wm. Cullingsworth for reappointment as postmaster at Richmond was mentioned to the President several times, and from the manner in which the President spoke of the candidate his friends were much encouraged. William Ryan, editor of the Richmond Star, was one of the callers. He had a long talk with the President about Richmond Federal offices.

The number of callers on Mr. Cleveland to day showed no diminution from previous days within the past two weeks. Senators and Representatives formed the bulk of visitors, but their missions were mostly in connection with local offices. But little was said to the President concerning his noted rules. They have come to be so well understood that few points in regard to them remain to be cleared up. The "no reappointment" rule is, of course, the principal one, and in it the greatest interest is manifested. From what Cleveland has said it is understood it will not apply in certain cases as follows:

1. To those who have no opposition for reappointment.

2. To those candidates for postmaster who have opposition but are indorsed almost unanimously by the citizens of their city or town.

3. To those who were removed by the Harrison administration without serving their terms.

4. To those who were nominated for office by Cleveland just prior to General Harrison's administration, but who failed of confirmation by the Senate.

Since the exceptions to this rule have become more familiar to the office seekers there has been a rush of ex-officio seekers to the White House. They received little satisfaction from the President, however, unless they enjoyed his personal acquaintance or were known to him by reputation. They have received some little comfort from another exception to the rule which is reported that an applicant for appointment to an office formerly held by himself may apply for another position as well as good a chance of selection as any other candidate. The exception has not yet been clearly defined, but it is perhaps not so bad in its provisions as some candidates suppose. Hinerchen secretary of the State of Illinois, has spoken to the President about it and his understanding was that the appointment to a position other than that formerly held by an applicant was open to the latter through the usual channels of influence and fitness.

To the gentlemen who saw him to-day with reference to the reappointment of two former office holders who are indorsed almost unanimously by their Congressional delegation and by a large number of prominent people, Cleveland intimated that if he made the appointments desired he would do so with the understanding that the people of the community would assume the responsibility for his action by practically a unanimous vote.

### THE REPUBLICANS WILL FIGHT.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The Republican caucus has decided to reject all offers of a compromise and contest the proposed Democratic reorganization of the elective officers of the Senate to the end. The caucus was largely attended, but was of short duration. Naturally there was a division of sentiment as to what was best to be done under the circumstances, but those in favor of contesting the proposed reorganization were largely in the majority. The vote taken was decisive, and it is probable that at the next executive session the ultimatum of the caucus will be given to the Democrats.

An effort will be made to settle the matter behind closed doors, and that failing the fight will be transferred to open session. The Republicans claim that they are right, and when one of the leading Senators was asked what it meant he replied that it meant a fight to the finish. An amusing feature of the case is that the Republicans think the Democrats will not insist on proceeding at this time, and the Democrats assert that the Republicans will grow tired of the struggle in a day or two. It is probable that no more caucuses on this subject will be held by either party.

### SENATE ADJOURNS UNTIL MONDAY.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The Vice-President announced the appointment of Mr. Walthall as one of the directors of the deaf and dumb institute for the District of Columbia in the place of Mr. Hawley, resigned.

Mr. Call offered a resolution in regard to the commission to inquire into the several executive departments of the government, which was the subject of discussion in yesterday's session.

The resolution declares the provision of the appropriation act providing for the appointment of three Senators and three Representatives of the Fifty-third Congress by the presiding officers of the two houses in the Fifty-second Congress

as such a commission is in derogation of the constitutional rights, privileges and prerogatives of each house, and is otherwise violative of the constitution and absolutely null and void.

Mr. Gorman suggested a reference of the resolution to the committee on privileges and elections.

Mr. Call said he preferred to have the resolution printed and laid on the table, as he wished to make some observations upon it. It might then be referred to the committee on privileges and elections. That order was made, and then at 11:30 the Senate, on motion of Mr. Daniel, proceeded to executive business. After spending about three-quarters of an hour, the Senate adjourned till Monday next.

### NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The Senate to-day confirmed the following nominations: Theodore Runyon, New Jersey, minister to Germany; Walter D. Dabney, Virginia, solicitor for department of State; Edward B. Whitney, New York, assistant attorney-general; James G. Jenkins, Wisconsin, United States circuit judge, seventh judicial circuit; Charles B. Stuart, Texas, judge United States court for Indian Territory; Abner Gaines, Arkansas, United States marshal for eastern district Arkansas; Joseph W. House, Arkansas, United States attorney eastern district of Arkansas; Clifford L. Jackson, Indian Territory, attorney United States court for Indian Territory; Ernest P. Baldwin, Maryland, first auditor of the treasury; Thomas Holcomb, Delaware, fifth auditor of the treasury.

### CARLISLE WILL NOT RECONSIDER.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Secretary Carlisle has accepted the resignation of A. M. Hughes, of Tennessee, chief of the loan division, register's office, Treasury Department. Hughes was at first recorded as "dismissed for cause," but was subsequently permitted to resign. This is the first change made by Secretary Carlisle among this class of officials and it brought down on him this morning several of the Democratic members of the Tennessee Congressional delegation, who asked for his retention.

Mr. Carlisle was somewhat surprised at the request for Hughes' retention coming from this source, in view of the fact that Hughes was a delegate to the Republican convention at Minneapolis. He declined to reconsider his action in this matter.

### RESIGNATIONS ASKED FOR AND RECEIVED.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Secretary Carlisle has requested the resignation of J. N. Patterson, of New Hampshire, second auditor of the Treasury Department. So far he has declined to resign. The Secretary has accepted the resignation of W. D. Owen as superintendent of immigration.

It was said at the State Department this evening that the resignations of all the delegates to the international monetary conference had been received and that at the Cabinet meeting to-morrow the question as to whether or not a new body of delegates shall be appointed will probably be discussed and decided. The opinion is held by some persons who are in a position to form intelligent views that President Cleveland has practically concluded not to send another delegation to Brussels. If that proves to be the case the minister to Belgium will probably be designated to attend the conference as the representative of the United States.

### THE NUMBER OF CLERKS INCREASED.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Owing to the great accumulation of applications and other papers bearing upon the appointment of postmasters the force of forty-seven clerks detailed from the office of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Maxwell to do the work of receiving and filing has been increased to fifty-one and the hours of labor have been extended one hour daily.

### GETTING DOWN TO WORK.

Second Day's Session of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

FRONT ROYAL, March 23.—(Special)—There was a full attendance of ministers at the annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, here to-day which was presided over by Rev. W. W. Watts. After devotional exercises the specific business of the board was taken up in routine.

Dr. David Morton stated that over \$50,000 had been collected since the board of church extension had been formed and said that they had extended their influence and property in the way of churches and parsonages throughout the West and had even extended their faith to Japan. Bishop J. S. Key also spoke upon this subject.

J. T. Myers, C. M. Savor, H. M. Reid, James H. Smith, W. H. Whitesell, W. Parrott and W. D. Keen, J. J. Kinger, H. W. Heironimus and H. Wilson were admitted on trial. The Valley Female College, of Winchester, was reported in a prosperous condition and Rev. N. Cross was appointed a deacon.

### Colonel Robert Gillespie Dead.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Colonel Robert W. Gillespie, general Southern agent of the Mexican Central railroad, favorably and well known throughout the country and especially among railroad men, died here last night of paralysis.

### An Army Officer Dead.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 23.—First Lieutenant John A. Lowers, second United States artillery and commandant of cadets of the South Carolina Military Academy, died at his brother's residence in Anderson, S. C., to-day.

### Harris Taken to Sing Sing.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Carlyle W. Harris, the convicted poisoner of his wife, was taken to Sing Sing for electrocution early this morning in order to avoid the crowd and public demonstration.

### Silver Cheaper Than Paper.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 23.—The Russian government has suspended the coinage of silver roubles on private account for the reason that silver roubles are now cheaper than paper.

## THE FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

### Dr. A. Z. Koiner Will be Buried This Afternoon.

The Services Will be Held at the First Baptist Church at 1:30—Rev. O. C. Miller Will Officiate—The Interment Will be at Salem—List of the Active and Honorary Pall Bearers—The Physicians Meet and Adopt Resolutions.

The solemn arrangements of burial have been made, and that sound which bears no voice but silence holds in sway a household broken only by a reverie of the dead. To-day the sad ritual will rebreath the actions whilst earth clasps 'neath a myriad of loving thoughts the body of Arthur Koiner.

Yesterday morning the physicians of the city met at Dr. R. Gordon Simmons' office to complete such fitting arrangements as would be a tribute to the dead. Dr. Simmons was appointed chairman of the meeting, and on motion of Dr. John B. Moorman, a committee was selected to draft resolutions. The quiet conversations of fraternity were indulged in by all present and kindly remembrances of the dead were recited by Drs. J. C. Minor and J. D. Kirk.

At 5:30 the committee on resolutions met at Dr. Simmons' office and the following was drafted:

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst our friend and associate, Dr. A. Z. Koiner; and

Whereas we feel deeply and sensibly the great loss the medical profession and the whole community has sustained in the loss of our esteemed associate; therefore be it

Resolved, That whilst we bow submissively to the will of God and believe it will be well with our brother yet we cannot but mourn his loss to the medical profession. He adorned society, in which he was a genial and hospitable member and the community, of which he was an honored and greatly valued citizen, and we tender our sincere condolence to his bereaved family in this sad hour of their affliction.

Resolved, further, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family of the deceased and published in the daily papers and that we attend his funeral in a body.

J. D. KIRK, M. D.  
H. W. HARRISON, M. D., Committee.  
J. T. STRICKLAND, M. D.  
J. B. MOORMAN, M. D.

The pall-bearers will be as follows: Active: Drs. R. Gordon Simmons, H. E. Jones, J. B. Lenny and George S. Luck; Hon. H. S. Trout and C. Markley, from St. Mark's Lutheran Church; Prof. F. V. Painter, from Roanoke College, and Rev. T. S. Brown.

Honorary: Drs. Francis Sorrell and R. W. Fry; R. P. C. Sanderson and J. C. Cassell, from the Norfolk and Western railroad; Col. Thomas Lewis; druggists, Chas. Lyle and Frank Coffman; W. F. Baker, from St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

President Dreher, of Roanoke College, being absent in the North and unable to reach here in time for the last rites, Rev. T. S. Brown, an old schoolmate and comrade of the deceased will act as pall-bearer in his stead. The pall-bearers and immediate friends of the family are requested to be present at the home of the late Dr. Koiner at 1 o'clock.

The services at the First Baptist Church will commence at 1:30 p. m., with Rev. O. C. Miller, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, officiating. The ushers at the church will be Julius E. Fishburne, Claude C. Speece, George E. Markley and John T. Trout.

After the services at the church the remains will be taken to Salem, where the interment will take place.

### WOMEN BURNED TO DEATH.

Fatal Fire in an Apartment House at Cleveland, Ohio.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 23.—Three women and one child lost their lives by the burning of the Morgan apartment house to-day and not four women as previously reported. One woman was blind. Her name was Mrs. Julia Somers and the infant belonged to her. Another woman was Mrs. Mary E. Abbey. The name of the third is unknown.

The bodies of the women were found huddled together in the corner. The child was found in the hallway. Several women were rescued by firemen from the second story window. The loss is \$12,000; no insurance.

### Meeting of the Buena Vista Company.

BUENA VISTA, March 23.—(Special)—The adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Buena Vista Company was held to-day. The committee of investigation appointed at the February meeting made a full and clear report. A. T. Barclay was unanimously re-elected president, as was the following named board of directors: William Patrick, of Staunton; Mosby H. Payne, of Buchanan; M. W. Bryan, of Roanoke; C. H. Effinger, of Lexington; W. L. Moorman, of Lynchburg; S. H. Egolf, A. Timberlake and R. W. Winborne, of Buena Vista. Entire harmony prevailed in the proceedings.

### Death of Dr. H. T. Barton.

LEXINGTON, Va., March 23.—Dr. H. T. Barton is dead. He was seventy years of age. When Stone wall Jackson was a professor at the Virginia Military Institute, before he won military favor, Dr. Barton was his intimate friend. For some years after the war Dr. Barton was surgeon to the Virginia Military Institute and will be recalled by hundreds of old cadets all over the country.

### A Life Saver Honored.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Secretary Carlisle to-day, in an appropriate letter of eulogy, transmitted a gold life saving medal to W. G. Lee, of Savannah, Ga., for saving from drowning at various times eight persons.

## STORY OF AN EYE WITNESS.

Thrilling Description of the Recent Train Robbery at Huntington, West Va.

A concise story was told a TIMES reporter by W. P. Redd, a traveling man, who was an eye witness of the train robbery at Huntington, West Va., which resulted fatally to one of the passengers, and ended in a life sentence for the bandits who were the perpetrators of the successful attempt. Mr. Redd's statement is as follows:

"As near as I can remember, the attempted robbery took place on the night of December 12, 1892. The night was in keeping with the deed, a dark, drizzly and uncomfortable one. I had been on business in the West and was to leave Huntington that evening by the vestibule train for Charleston, West Virginia, some sixty miles distant.

"As I went into the depot my attention was attracted to a man with long hair, accompanied by two companions. I should not have noticed the party had it not been for the man whose hair hung down over his shoulders. I purchased my ticket and boarded the train, going into the ladies' car, where there was only one seat vacant, which was at the front of the car. After placing my satchel in the seat I went into the rear, which I thought was a sleeper but found that it was the dining car, so I started back to the ladies' car. In crossing the platform I passed the three people I had seen in the station. I went forward to my seat, which I had hardly reached when the porter in the rear of the car cried for help.

"I supposed at the moment it was a drunken row, but was surprised when a man rushed by me and stationed himself in the front of the car and covered with his pistols Oscar Dicks, a German who was sitting on the other side of the car, and myself. The ruffian at the same time cried out, 'Hands up and you won't be hurt, gentlemen.' Dicks, who was sitting opposite his fiancée, with the quickness of a panther sprang upon the robber and pinioned his arms. I leaped from my seat to reach him from behind, when the German with terrific strength crushed the miscreant to the floor.

"Several pistol shots had been fired at the other end of the car, when the bandits, who had been kept busy, then rushed through the crowd, seeing his long-haired friend in danger, and coming close to Dick who had pinioned him, discharged the pistol in his face. Dicks threw up his hands and fell senseless. The freed robber jumped to his feet and pulling the bell cord dashed from the car.

"In a moment all was excitement. His confederate dashed towards the other end of the car and after a struggle, in which Peter Drake, of Cincinnati, was slightly wounded twice in the leg, made his escape into the darkness. The long-haired robber when he jumped from the train was met by the ticket collector who had secured a revolver in the express car and a fusillade began. The robber slunk away, but not until he had received a wound in the arm and had left his wig and overcoat upon the scene of battle.

"In the meantime the wounded man was placed upon a seat and was being taken care of by the sympathetic passengers. The affair took place just outside of Huntington and Conductor Berkeley, notwithstanding the objections of the passengers, proceeded to Charleston, where the wounded man was immediately taken to the Hotel Ruffner, where upon examination it was found that the ball had passed into the head from below the cheek bone and had lodged in the back of the skull. The brave fellow passed away about two hours after, never regaining consciousness. His fiancée, Anna Ichler, was prostrated with grief.

"An investigation proved that Dicks had \$117—mostly in gold, and two tickets to New York upon him. It was his intention to marry Miss Ichler and return with her to Germany. The young lady was sent to her uncle in Cincinnati; Dicks' remains were also shipped to that city. The long-haired robber was found to be Tom Collins, a desperado, who lived on the outskirts of Huntington, while his companion, Burrell Forgy, lived over the river in Ohio.

"Collins was discovered by the detectives comparing the hole in the coat he had cast away and the wound in his arm, and upon being pressed he made a full confession, implicating Forgy. The two bandits are now serving a life sentence in the penitentiary. Forgy would have been hung, but he escaped with a life sentence on a technicality. The third robber, who evidently directed the operations, has never been captured."

### REALLY DEAD THIS TIME

The Mayor of Moscow Has Been Reported So Before.

LONDON, March 23.—A dispatch from Moscow to-day states that M. Alex. Jeff, mayor of Moscow, who was shot by a man named Adrianoff at a meeting of the city council Tuesday afternoon last, died at 3:30 o'clock this morning.

Twice before M. Alex. Jeff was reported to have died from the effects of the wound inflicted upon him but both times the stories were denied. It was officially stated yesterday afternoon that the wounded man might recover, but later peritonitis set in, and so rapidly did the inflammation spread that death resulted early this morning.

### Lost Their Money, Then Killed Themselves.

NICK, March 23.—Two men from New Orleans committed suicide on the Casino grounds at Monte Carlo last night. Their names are given as Weill and Robb. They had been playing heavily at the Casino for several days and Wednesday and Thursday lost enormous sums.

### Blizzard Raging in the West.

CHICAGO, March 23.—A terrible blizzard is raging in Minnesota, Wisconsin, the Northern part of Mississippi, and West Tennessee. The wires are all down and it is difficult to get information. Several lives are reported lost in Mississippi.

## WORKING FOR THE COTTON MILL.

### Good Prospects for a First-Class Industry.

An Important Meeting Held Yesterday Afternoon to Report Progress—Roanoke Will be Asked to Contribute \$100,000 Against \$150,000 of Outside Capital—A Mass Meeting to be Held at the Academy of Music.

An important meeting of the special board of trade committee was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock to talk over the cotton mill matter. There were present President Deaton, S. W. Jamison, J. D. Laxill, James S. Simmons, Capt. J. B. Henry, of South Carolina, and Mr. Woodruff, of New York.

From the reports made it is confidently asserted that when \$100,000 have been raised in Roanoke \$150,000 of outside capital can be had to invest in a cotton mill in Roanoke.

Well conducted cotton mills have been paying dividends of from 15 to 25 per cent. all over the South, and the gentlemen present were very sanguine that success was within reach, and that an industry employing several hundred hands would soon be launched in Roanoke. In view of the very favorable reports the following notice has been issued by the secretary of the board of trade:

A mass meeting of the citizens of Roanoke in conjunction with the board of trade will be held in the Academy of Music on Tuesday, March 28, 1893, at 8 p. m.

The committee on new industries of the board of trade and the board of directors are now ready to make a report in regard to a large cotton mill, and are in a position to say to the people of Roanoke that a large mill can be erected if a little effort is expended by the citizens of the city. It is desired that all persons, mechanics, business men, lawyers and professional men generally, and all citizens of Roanoke be present at this meeting to hear this report.

The committee desires that it be distinctly understood that this meeting is not for the purpose of taking up subscriptions, but solely for the purpose of discussing the matter thoroughly, and any one need not hesitate to come for fear that he will be asked to subscribe. It is simply to inform the people of the nature of the proposition.

It now remains for the people of Roanoke to say whether we shall have this mill or not.

By order of the president of the board of trade. H. W. ANDERSON, Secretary.

### THE ARBITRATION ORGANIZES.

The Claims of the United States and Great Britain Will be Carefully Considered.

PAU, March 23.—The court of arbitration, appointed to adjust the difficulties between Great Britain and the United States in relation to the seal fisheries in Bering sea, met to-day in the office of the French foreign ministry. All the members of the court of arbitration were present, being John M. Harlan and John T. Morgan, appointed by the President of the United States; Baron de Courcelles, appointed by the president of France; Gregers W. W. Gram, appointed by the king of Sweden; Marquis Emilio Visconti Venosta, appointed by the king of Italy; Lord Hankey and Sir John S. D. Thompson appointed by the queen of England. John W. Foster was present as an agent on the part of the United States, and C. H. Tupper, the Dominion minister of marine and fisheries, as an agent on the part of Great Britain.

The counsel present on the part of the United States were E. J. Phelps, of Vermont; Jas. C. Carter, of New York; Henry W. Blodgett, of Illinois, and assistant counsel on the part of the United States Robert Laning, of New York. The counsel for Great Britain present were Sir Charles Russell, attorney-general; Sir Richard Webster, ex-attorney-general; C. Robinson, of the Canadian bar, and W. H. Cross.

M. Levele, the French minister of foreign affairs, made a short speech welcoming the members of the court, agents and counsel. The meeting was purely formal. Credentials were presented and the court organized by the election of Baron De Courcelles as president. It was decided to meet at 10:30 a. m. each day and to sit for four hours and a half daily, the meeting to be open to the members of the press to whom cards should be issued.

The court then adjourned until the 4th of April in order to examine the printed arguments of the United States and Great Britain, which were presented. These printed arguments are to be submitted to the American Congress and to the British parliament, probably next week, and then to be made public.

The debates of the court of arbitration will be held in the English language and the journal of the proceedings is to be kept in the French language with an English version. All members of the court made a general and formal visit to President Carnot to-day. American Minister Coolidge and the Marquis of Dufferin, the British ambassador, presented the several members to the president.

### Cotton Brokers Make an Assignment.

NASHVILLE, March 23.—Dobbins & Dazey, cotton brokers, with branch houses in St. Louis, Jackson, Tenn., and New Orleans, filed a bill of assignment to-night. Their liabilities are about \$700,000.

### Another Bomb Exploded.

ROME, March 23.—A bomb was exploded to-day in the street back of the Università Della Sapienza. No damage was done. Nobody saw the bomb placed and no arrests have been made.

### THE WEATHER.

Forecast for Virginia: Rain in the morning, clearing during day, easterly winds shifting to southwesterly; much warmer Friday, probably colder Saturday.